

Transportation in the Region



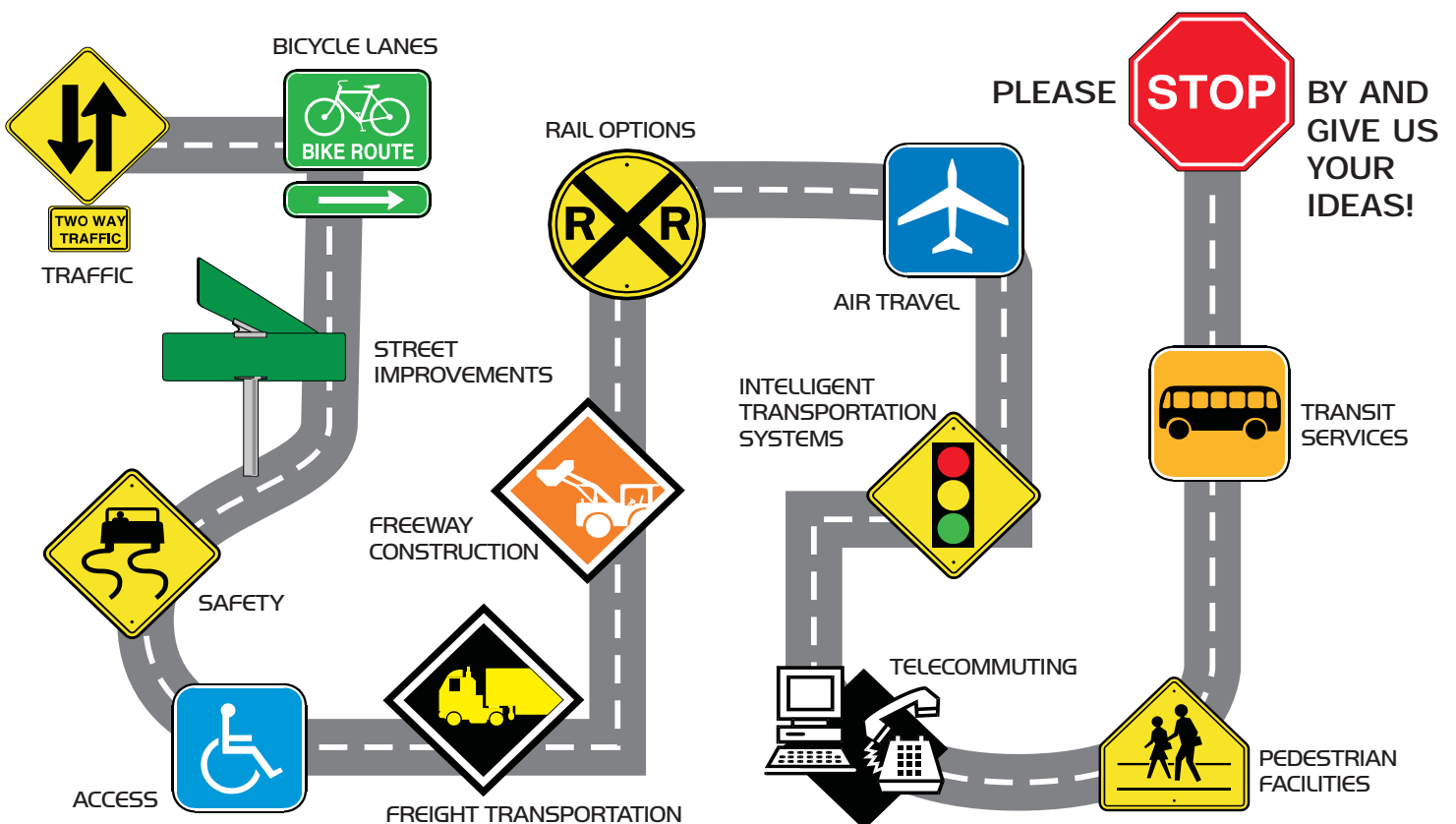
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Let us know what you think about Transportation Issues



First, a little about MAG

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) is a regional organization that develops policies and makes decisions in areas such as transportation, air quality, water quality, solid waste and human services.

MAG is made up of Valley communities working together to ensure a better quality of life for nearly three million residents in Maricopa County. The region encompasses metropolitan Phoenix and includes the many cities, towns and Indian communities within Maricopa County. Governed by a Regional Council that includes 24 city mayors and other lead elected officials, MAG is the forum for ensuring an effective allocation of regional resources.

Need more information? Call Dawn Coomer at the MAG office, 602-254-6300.

Now let's hear from you

We want to know what issues are important to consider in updating our 20-year transportation plan and five-year short-term priorities. What issues are important? How can they best be resolved? Does transportation concern you? How should limited funding be spent to resolve transportation issues?

Visit one of our open houses to see information and ask questions of transportation agency staff. They will be held at the Maricopa Association of Governments at 302 North First Avenue, Suite 300, in downtown Phoenix across from Central Station.

- Monday, September 13, 1999
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, September 16, 1999
4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Share your ideas

To share your ideas, visit one of these MAG meetings (time may be limited to three minutes per individual). All meetings will be held at the MAG Office.

Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

- September 9, 1999 - 1:30 p.m.

Street Committee

- September 14, 1999 - 1:30 p.m.

Regional Aviation System Plan Meeting

- September 14, 1999 - 4:00 p.m.

Intelligent Transportation Systems Committee

- September 15, 1999 - 10:00 a.m.

Regional Bicycle Task Force

- September 21, 1999 - 1:30 p.m.

Telecommunications Advisory Group

- September 23, 1999 - 10:00 a.m.

Survey

Enclosed with this notice is a brief questionnaire. We would appreciate if you would take a few minutes of your time to express your ideas and concerns about transportation issues in our region. You can also download the survey from our Web site at www.mag.maricopa.gov.

Thank you for taking the time to complete and return this survey. You may drop off the survey at any of the public meetings and open houses, or mail your completed survey to:

Maricopa Association of Governments
Transportation Survey
302 North First Avenue, Suite 300
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation by contacting Dawn Coomer, 602-254-6300. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation. Telephone teletype is available through Arizona Relay Service at 1-800-367-8939 (Voice: 1-800-842-4681). Spanish language assistance available at 602-254-6300.

Part I: Concern About Regional Issues

How concerned are you about the following issues? (Please check in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

	Extremely Concerned	Very Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Very Concerned	Don't Know
Traffic congestion					
Transportation safety					
Air quality					
Public education					
High rate of growth					
Crime					
Affordability of housing					
Adequacy of mass transit					
Availability of quality jobs					
Availability of social services for the disadvantaged					
Availability of open spaces and recreational opportunities					
Availability of pedestrian and bicycle paths					

Part II: Traffic Congestion Reduction

Listed below are some different ideas for reducing traffic congestion in the metropolitan area. Please keep in mind that each idea involves spending your tax dollars. How willing are you to spend your tax dollars on the following: (Please check in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

	Spend Much More	Spend Little More	Spend the Same as Now	Spend a Little Less	Spend Much Less	Don't Know
Establishing a rail system						
Expanding & improving bus service						
Building more pedestrian & bike paths						
Protecting neighborhoods from cut-through traffic						
Encouraging employers to offer employees incentives to carpool or work at home						
Add more carpool lanes on heavily used freeways						
Add turn lanes at intersections						
Synchronize traffic signals throughout the Valley						
Add lanes to existing streets						
Add lanes to existing freeways						
Construct new freeways						

Part III: Prioritizing Transportation Funding

Congratulations! You have just been given the job of Transportation Planner. If you had to plan for all of the needs of all of the citizens in Maricopa County over the next five years, and had only \$100.00 to provide for all of the needs, how would you divide up transportation dollars?

Amount of Money

Freeways (carpool lanes & ramps; park & ride lots; widenings)	
Streets (widenings, turn lanes at intersections)	
Improved bus service (includes dial-a-ride)	
Rail service	
Lanes & paths for bicyclists & pedestrians	
Vanpools & rideshare programs (includes telecommuting/work at home)	
Traffic signal synchronization, informational boards on freeways and other technological solutions	
Welfare to work & other human service needs	
Other:	
Other	
Total:	\$100.00

Part IV: Your Opinions

Please tell us a little about yourself (All information is confidential).

What is your zip code? _____ What is your age? _____ Are you male or female? _____

In your opinion, what is the single most important transportation problem facing people in Maricopa County today that government can do something about?

What should be done about it?

Thank you for completing this survey. Please send to Maricopa Association of Governments Transportation Survey, 302 North First Avenue, Suite 300, Phoenix, Arizona 85003. Or fax to 602-254-6490.